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Lucy Graton's Visit to the City.

We commence, on our south page to-day, an admirable story, written expressly for the Courier, by Miss MATTHEW GREEN. We promise the reader much profit and pleasure in its perusal.

Our Incipient Railroads—the Nashville Branch to Lebanon.

The delay attendant upon the construction of the great Nashville railroad that two or three years ago elicited so much enthusiasm among our citizens, and opened up to us such a bright vista of wealth and progress, has been exceedingly perplexing. Perhaps it was unavoidable, though many persons indulge uncharitable opinions concerning the management, the engineering, &c., and gripe at their pocket-books; nevertheless, a tax collector presents his rail-road bill. Let these things, however, pass. By-gones should be by-gones. The road to Nashville is once more under way. Its final completion and equipment are yet afar, and while we may rejoice for them, we need not expect to see a complete road built for years.

Progress, however, is being made, and although we may be temporarily delayed from partaking of the benefit of a finished enterprise, we will, nevertheless, feel measurably the effects of a partial completion of the road. At the same time, these benefits will naturally and reasonably demonstrate the importance of the work and the necessity of its completion.

The present condition of the road and grading of the Nashville road leads us to entertain confident anticipations of a speedy opening of about thirty miles for passengers and freight. Already there are, commencing at the outskirts of the city, four miles of track laid. There is now being delivered at the wharf's a large quantity of iron—some six hundred tons, we believe—and when the season becomes favorable a large force of track-layers will be put at work. The company has now delivered at this point a sufficient quantity of rails and cross-ties to complete the track of the road sixteen miles, and the extent of road will soon be in operation. Considering the character of the winter and its unfavorableness for the prosecution of the work of excavating, grading, filling, &c., the expenses are but small. Only ten thousand dollars are now spent monthly in all the departments of the company's service. Of course, when the spring opens, this amount will be very materially increased, and unless some new negotiations are made the strictest economy will have to be exercised to keep the work in a forward condition.

The branch road leading from New Haven to Lebanon, in Marion county, promises to add much to the business of Louisville. Its construction has been undertaken by a body of contractors who will not fail to push it through. These are farmers, living on the line of the road, who are employing their own field hands and hiring great numbers of hired hands for the purpose. This policy makes their home work and gives the stockholders only the deeper interest in its welfare. We hope the expectations of our friends at Lebanon may not be disappointed, and that by the dawn of the next new year the locomotive will have become a domestic institution in that fertile section of the state.

In this branch road Louisville has much interest. It will not only open up to her a prolific agricultural region, but develops a great iron field, which is now successfully occupied.

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### Rape.

We learn from the *Harrodsburg Courier*, that Jas. Cox, charged with having committed a rape upon the person of Miss Mosey, on Jan. 1st, was arraigned before Judge Chinn, of the Mercer County Court, on Friday, Jan. 5, and after a long and tedious examination, was held to bail in the sum of \$750, for his appearance at the next term of the Mercer Circuit Court.

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 1855.

Mattie Griffith's Story.

We commence this week the publication of Miss Griffith's Prize Story. Those who wish to obtain it complete, should send their orders at once, as a small extra edition only will be printed. Soon as it is concluded, we will have several attractive novelties in store for our readers, which will be produced for their amusement and gratification.

These are times when a well-conducted paper is richly worth ten times its cost. Stirring news from all quarters of the world is crowding in upon us, and those who wish to keep up with the times, should by all means make the small investment necessary to secure the WEEKLY COURIER one year. Special attention is paid to reporting the markets, and the farmer who wishes to know when to send his produce to market in order that he may get the best price for it, will find the COURIER indispensable to him.

Our friends in making us remittances should be careful that the sum sent is good. We have during the last few weeks received a number of bad counterfeits, which of course were promptly returned. We will receive the money of our paying banks. The Indians Free Banks are not current here.

We are deeply indebted to those kind friends who have been so active in getting up clubs for the WEEKLY COURIER. We can only promise in return to use increased exertions to furnish our patrons with the best, cheapest, most reliable and readable paper in the West.

Shaffer Girding the World with Telegraphic Wires.

We need not fortify ourselves against being astonished at anything in this sublimate state of existence. Ourlate fellow citizen, Tal. P. Shaffer, is about surrounding the entire world with a magnetic band, and promises at an early day to verify the prophecy of one of Shakespeare's heroes who spoke of girding the globe in forty minutes. As is well-known by our readers, Mr. Shaffer made the voyage to Europe last spring, and spent several months negotiating with the various powers, in reference to his circumambulatory telegraph. He has recently returned to New York and is entirely confident of a successful termination of his enterprise, however it may startle the world.

In his European tour he acquired a thorough knowledge of the different modes of telegraphing and constructing lines in the old world. He negotiated with the Danish Government for the exclusive right to lay a line over Greenland, Iceland, the Faroe Isles and Denmark, for the term of one hundred years; and required similar rights over Norway, Sweden and Russia. With these and other rights, which he proposed to himself to secure, the success of his plan to girdle the world with electric telegraph no longer appears visionary or impracticable.

The route of his proposed line is as follows: Starting from the coast of Labrador, the width of the sea to Greenland is about five hundred miles. From the point of landing the line is to extend underground around Cape Farewell to a point on the east coast of Greenland, favorable for a submarine connection with Iceland. A submarine line across to the eastern coast of that island will connect with a submarine wire running to the Faroe Isles, and thence to Norway, landing at or in the vicinity of Bergen. By this route will be the shortest section of the line, of less than five hundred miles, and the loss or failure of one section will not destroy the line. In a line direct from Ireland to Newfoundland the failure of any part occasions a loss of the whole.

After landing on the coast of Norway it is intended to run the line to Christiania, the capital of Norway, and from thence branches to Copenhagen and Stockholm. The Danish Government has bound itself to furnish proper connections with the Governments on the continent and Great Britain. Consequently, it will not be necessary to run a cable from the Faroe Isles to the Shetlands, Orkneys, and to North Scotland. Treaties with the Emperor of Russia contemplate the extension of the line from Stockholm, in Sweden, to St. Petersburg, across, or along the coast of Finland. By the construction of this section, America will be able to transmit intelligence direct to Russia, and thus establish most intimate relations between the subjects of the Czar and the sovereigns of the United States.

Leaving St. Petersburg, Mr. Shaffer proposes to run his line to Moscow, or connect at the latter place with the principal lines already in operation--thence to Kazan across the Ural Mountains, into Asia, passing through Orsk, Koltov, Kasuk, Oudisk to Irkutsk, near Lake Baikal. This is near the great tea country in Chinese Tartary, whence the Russian tea is brought overland on wagons. The trade in this tea, which is said to be the best in the world, is very large, and the telegraph, it is supposed will increase it materially.

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The Whig State Convention.

We notice that meetings have been held in a number of counties in different parts of the State, and delegates appointed to attend the Whig State Convention. These meetings have with entire unanimity, pointed out the 22d of February as the day for the convening of the Convention, and that, we presume, unless the Whig Central Committee at Frankfort select some other time) will be the best in the world.

It is now a few weeks until the proposed gathering, and if the Whigs intend doing anything, surely the other counties should take immediate steps to secure a representation of their members.

### Hogs Killed Around the Falls.

The packing season in this region has nearly closed, the number of hogs killed during the past week being very small, and the packers expecting but a few more. Subjoined is the full estimate of the various packers to date:

Hill, Hunt & Co.	34,983
Hamilton, Wickes & Co.	43,120
Johns, Johnson & Co.	35,300
A. S. James & Co.	36,300
Overall, Kinnard & Co.	36,607
W. H. Seward & Co.	37,487
<b>Total, New All (estimated)</b>	<b>273,938</b>
<b>Total last year</b>	<b>457,012</b>

With the exception of 2,000 hogs expected at Jefferson, 1,500 by E. L. Hubbard & Co., 5,000 by R. Atherton, and probably 3,000 by Hill, Hunt & Co., the season around the falls has closed, showing in the market a deficiency of 131,083 hogs compared with last year.

The killing commenced last year on the 3d of November, and closed on the 15th of January with the above-mentioned estimate. As regards hogs, we doubt, his accomplices, and from which a clew can be obtained which will break up a large gang of these "currency-tinkers." However, he is about 30 years old. He was arrested at the dwelling of Henry House, two miles east of Delphi. When the officers came upon him, he, with House and his boys, were playing cards. No resistance was offered, and he was safely secured in jail.

### Indignation Meeting in Cincinnati.

We find in the Cincinnati papers full accounts of a mighty and most enthusiastic mass meeting held on Monday night, at Greenwood Hall, to express public opinion in relation to the official welcome extended by the City Fathers to John Mitchell.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

EXPRESSED ESPECIALLY FOR THE LOUISVILLE COURIER.

## ARRIVAL OF THE CANADA.

HARPER'S, Jan. 17.—The steamer Canada with a view from Liverpool and London of the 6th, arrived this afternoon.

### GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

The advice from the East of war and diplomacy by this arrival promises but little of special interest. The news of the war may be summed up in the following point:

The allies at the latest advices had 300 guns in position to open fire on Sebastopol, and were only waiting for the arrival of a large force to move against it. It is to be hoped that the members refused to attend any further meetings of the board, and they adjourned to meet the 27th.

John D. McPherson has dissolved the heart at his residence, in Highland Park, Vt.

### FROM HAVANA.

New Orleans, Jan. 16.—The steamer Canada, City arrived from Havana with date of the 12th.

A rumor was prevalent that Corchia had been suspended, on account of his conduct in the San Francisco affair, and that he was mentioned. The rumor is thought to be improbable.

The Palomino had not reached Havana, and anxiety was felt for her safety. The steamer Philadelphia would await her arrival.

### Failures, &c.

N. J. & CO., New Orleans, & Co., have failed at \$20,000.

Schultz, Hadden & Latting, the heaviest produce house, failed to day, owing to the suspension of its business.

The whole programme had been arranged and a full determination made at to make one a success.

The market was too intense for the Palomino to wait.

The committee appointed by the railroad meeting at San Francisco had decided on a route across the plains as the most practicable means of securing the supply of men and supplies.

The Legislature will probably be called upon to make an appropriation for this purpose.

The city marshal of Oakland, John Hogan, has succeeded with \$20,000 the funds belonging to the city.

The question as to the State capital is about to be decided. Sacramento will doubtless be the place selected.

Miss Sarah Pallet has declared her intention of taking out 5,000 respectable New England girls to California.

In the libel suit of George Thatcher and wife vs the Christian Advocate, has resulted in favor of the plaintiff, and the case was fully established.

James McCall, known as "Judge McCall," was appointed to take the subject of the trial.

Henry Sullivan has been arrested at Nevada for his wife's sake.

Henry Bonham, a paladin of San Francisco was last seen by Elizabeth Sullivan, with whom he had been estranged, and had deserted for the purpose of his wife.

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The trial at Mather was unchanged.

Henry Sullivan, the speaker laid before the House a letter from his wife, requesting his office to be a deposit of the records of the San Francisco school.

John D. McPherson, a member of the Legislature, was not seen, but was probably in the city.

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The New Englanders celebrated their father's day with a visit at Wilson's exchange. Mr. Thomas Wilson, a citizen of Boston, was present.

Farm was much needed. In some places cattle and sheep were suffering.

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The resolution was adopted, which was discussed.

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## POETRY:

(For the Louisville Courier.)  
THOUGHTS ON THE OLD YEAR.  
WRITTEN ON NEW YEAR'S EVE, AND INSCRIBED TO J. M. E.  
BY J. M. E.

On you purple cloud in the West,  
The last red ray of sunlight disappears,  
With the last sound of the day disappears,  
Till twilight leaves over land and deep.

New one by the sun's quiet ways appears,  
As the day's last light disappears,  
The darkness mellow'd by the moon's pale light,  
Is deep'ning now towards the noon of night.

The tocsin sounds, the thunders are over,  
The year is past, but it is not done.

"We now heart's head the march of time,  
And with my feelings seem to shun;

See a funeral train with death attend,

And many, oh many, I see,

Borne of with him to eternity.

This is the hour for man's release,

To the last, to the last, to the last,

Each action measured by our own hearts,

To meet, and learn the lesson it parts.

The good or ill which we have known,

Is now past, but it is not done.

"But to that we fear should be evident,

That of the evil done must repeat.

Let us more often feel our own sin,

The cold, sharp truth which doth interpose,

To hide the tendencies which would disclose,

Is all to us that noble, good, and pure,

And we are better for it.

But we read another page in nature's book,

But on its teachings never can look,

As we sense are limited on the mind,

Friends in man, only half discerned,

To know what is good, and what is not;

To bear misfortunes with out complaint,

And to bear the trials of life with fortitude,

Ever retrospective, will to return back

The dearest mem'ries on Time's burst track,

Will again call up the pleasure still.

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